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In re application of:

Hans Peter KNOEPFEL	Art Unit: [to be assigned]
Application No.: [to be assigned]	Examiner: [to be assigned]
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For: PREMIX BURNER AND METHOD OF OPERATION	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to taking up this new patent application for action on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

*Kindly add the following paragraph to the specification:*